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Today's Topics:

 Anti-ham legislation in Minnesota (2 msgs)
 Copyright Violation
 You could hear a pin drop in this group lately (3 msgs)

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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 29 May 93 17:06:58 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Anti-ham legislation in Minnesota
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Re: Minnesota's law -- I am planning a cross-country trip in the next few
months, the route for which would probably have taken me through Minnesota.
If this law is enacted before that time, there is no way on this earth that
I will go through Minnesota -- I won't leave my gear at home, so Minnesota
can kiss good-bye those tourist dollars that I might have spent there....

//Steve//

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Date: 30 May 93 04:18:14
From: think.com!grapevine.lcs.mit.edu!ai-lab!life!cstacy@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Anti-ham legislation in Minnesota
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In his message of Fri, 28 May 1993 13:41:47 GMT, Tom Bodoh wonders how Minnesota police will differentiate between "illegal" and "legal" radio receivers in the car?

I don't know, but living in Virginia, you may be aware how police confiscation of radio equipment generally works, since possession of a radar receiver is a crime there.

They pull you over, remove the device from your vehicle, and fling it as hard as possible into their trunk in an attempt to damage it. If the device is returned, it is always quite broken. By accident, of course, and they are always so apologetic; there's nothing you can do about it.

I'll bet that in Minnesota if a policeman observes a piece of radio equipment in your vehicle, that is grounds for pulling you over, spreading you against the car like any other criminal, and searching your person and vehicle to see if they can find anything wrong.

Have you heard about the Clipper Chip? A prelude to making it illegal to encrypt data (unless you are using the Government's chip system, to which they have decryption keys). In other words, writing into Federal law the precept that citizens may not have keep private secrets from the Government.

Well, we have to get those drugs off our streets somehow!
Can't have people monitoring the police or talking to each other in private!

How many fingers do you see now?
Followup to "mini.true"

Date: 30 May 93 03:50:56
From: enterpoop.mit.edu!ai-lab!life!cstacy@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Copyright Violation
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

On a related note: I think the way that providers of online information services protect their products of fact is through the page breaks (formfeeds).

Date: Sat, 29 May 1993 18:45:00 GMT
From: pipex!uknet!mcsun!dxcern!vxcina.cern.ch!jalocha@uunet.uu.net
Subject: You could hear a pin drop in this group lately
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <1993May27.183808.29398@rsg1.er.usgs.gov> tbodoh@resdgs1.er.usgs.gov
(Tom Bodoh) writes:

>
>--
>code sucks
>no-code sucks
>programmers should learn how to shoe horses
>the new scanner law sucks
>
>Jeez - let's get this group going - the discussions died so suddenly that I
>thought I had gotten unsubscribed!

Maybe the following text copied from alt.radio.scanner would keep
the discussion going :-) on at least two subjects:
"code/no-code" and "the scanner ban"

paul j. drongowski (N20QT) writes:

>OF ROCK WHICH WAS OVERHUNG BY A HIGHER PORTION OF THE CLIFF, SECURED HIS
>FOOTING, BUT LET GO THE ROPE. He at once perceived his peril. No one
>could come to his rescue, or even hear his cries. The fearful
>alternatives immediately flashed through his mind. It was to starve to
>death, or to be dashed to pieces 400 feet below.
>ON TURNING ROUND, HE SAW THE ROPE HE HAD LET GO, BUT IT WAS FAR AWAY.

Flipping open his cellular phone, he dialed 911* to plead for help.
But, nay, even God could not enable cellular frequencies on Her
PRO-2007 and the poor soul perished.

... I knew the cellular ban would come to this! :-)

o_oneil@delni.enet.dec.com (My name is...) adds:

Then, and only then, he noticed that the microphone on his cellular phone was
damaged in the fall. Knowing Morse Code, he stripped the two wires
that lead to the mike and shorting them together he was able to transmit....

And then tbodoh@resdgs1.er.usgs.gov (Tom Bodoh):

But... alas - he was the last person on earth who knew morse code as it was abolished from all amateur classes. He really should have invested in packet...

To get original postings go to the group alt.radio.scanner
and look for subject "WARNING (alternate ending)"

Pawel, SP9VRC

Date: Sat, 29 May 93 12:10:57 CDT
From: swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.UCSD.EDU
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dana@lando.la.locus.com (Dana H. Myers) writes:

> In any case, if anyone wants to engage in a useful, objective public
> discussion regarding evolutionary enhancement to the amateur licensing
> process, I'm ready. I'm not anxious to see more of the ranting that

Awww....no more, Dana. I think we've beat this subject to death, don't
you?

--Robert

Date: Sun, 30 May 1993 07:36:34 GMT
From: walter!qualcom.qualcomm.com!servo.qualcomm.com!karn@uunet.uu.net
Subject: You could hear a pin drop in this group lately
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Well, just to stir up things a bit, here's an item I found while browsing
around Gopherspace. (I was actually looking for Coast Guard info, not
"Morse Radiotelegraphy"). Looks like Morse is well on its way out. --Phil

<ARTICLE>
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Department="DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION"
Agency="COAST GUARD, DOT"

Subject="Discontinuance of Coast Guard Medium Frequency (MF) Morse Radiotelegraphy Services"

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SUMMARY: The United States Coast Guard intends to discontinue watchkeeping on the distress frequency 500 kHz at all of its Communication Stations and cutters, and cease all Morse Code services in the medium frequency radiotelegraphy band effective August 1, 1993.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Morse radiotelegraphy was first used to save lives at sea in 1899. In 1914, after the sinking of the TITANIC, the first International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) was adopted, requiring certain ships to maintain a continuous Morse radiotelegraphy listening watch to ensure that calls from a ship in distress would be received. Coast stations had similar requirements to maintain a continuous

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